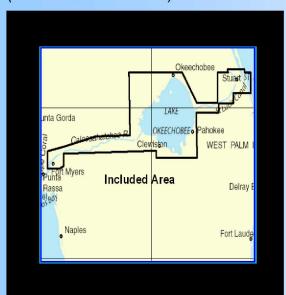
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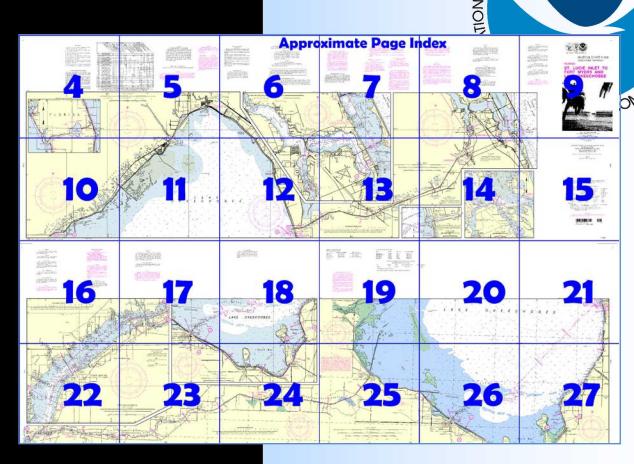
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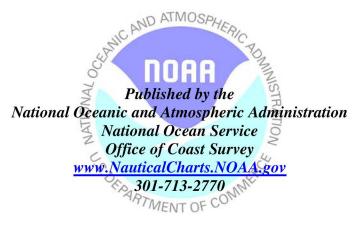
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# [Coast Pilot 4, Chapter 12 excerpts]

(379) The total length of the Okeechobee Waterway is 155 miles.

(381) The Federal project for the Okeechobee Waterway provides a channel with a depth of 8 feet from the Intracoastal Waterway near Stuart via Okeechobee Lake Route 1 to Fort Myers; thence 10 feet to Punta Rassa; thence 12 feet to the Gulf of Mexico; a channel 6 feet deep in Taylor Creek

from the town of Okeechobee to the lake, and a depth of 6 feet for Route 2 along the south shore of Lake Okeechobee from Port Mayaca westward to Clewiston. Controlling depths are published in local Notice to Mariners.

(385) This route across the peninsula encounters a variety of climatic conditions. In general, temperatures over the inland portions are slightly cooler in winter, particularly the lows, and warmer in summer. The west coast also exhibits some of these continental tendencies, due mainly to the prevalence of easterly winds. For example, temperatures climb to

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(386) The minimum clearance under bridges across the Okeechobee Waterway is 49 feet at the lift bridge at **Mile 38.0**.

(390) Three of the five locks in the waterway have a length of 250 feet, width of 50 feet, and depth over the sill of 10 feet. The Port Mayaca Lock, **Mile 40.0**, has a length of 400 feet, width of 56 feet, and a depth of 16 feet. The W. P. Franklin Lock at Olga, **Mile 121.4**, has a length of 400 feet, width of 56 feet, and depth over the sills of 14 feet.

(393) Public address systems are installed at all the locks as an aid to navigation and a safety feature. Craft approaching any of the locks should approach for passage only upon receiving instructions from the lock tender through the loudspeaker system or by standard light signal. The locks monitor VHF-FM channel 16.

(397) **Palm City, Mile 9.5.** Several small-craft facilities are on the east bank of the river, south of the highway bridge. Berths, electricity, gasoline, diesel fuel, water, ice, marine supplies, wet and dry storage, launching ramps are available.

(398) At **Mile 10.1.** South Fork is deep and winding, affording good protection for small boats during hurricane weather. 2 miles up this fork is a highway bridge with a clearance of 4 feet.

(400) St. Lucie Canal, at **Mile 14.4**, a boatyard is available for gasoline, diesel fuel, hull, engine and electronic repairs.

(407) At **Mile 29.5**, there is a marina on the north side of the canal where berths with electricity, gasoline, diesel fuel, water, ice, pump-out station, dry storage, and marine supplies are available. There is a launching ramp. The depth in the entrance and in the basin was 8 feet.

(412) **Lake Okeechobee** is shoal along its west and southwest sides with depths of 10 to 14 feet in the center. The shoal areas are generally filled with a thick growth of watergrass.

(413) **Taylor Creek**. A lock at the mouth has 5.5 feet over the sill. The approach channel is marked by a light and daybeacons; the remainder of the channel to **Okeechobee** is unmarked. There are two fishing camps in the creek above the mouth where gasoline, water, ice, launching ramps, and marine supplies are available.

(415) A marina 1.4 miles southwest of Taylor Creek has gasoline, water, dry storage, a launching ramp and engine repairs available.

(416) **Kissimmee River**, the centerline depth was 4 feet in the entrance channel, then 8 feet for another 5 miles. There are two fish camps and a marina at a recreation area on the north bank of the river above the bridge. Berths, electricity, gasoline, water, ice, and a launching ramp are available.

(418) **Pelican Bay.** Where depths are sufficient in the watergrass off the west and southwest sides of the lake, anchorage in moderate weather can be made, as the holding bottom is good and protection is afforded by the watergrass.

(420) **Clewiston**. There are hotels, motels, restaurants, and shopping in the city. Berths, electricity, gasoline, diesel fuel, water, ice, a launching ramp, wet and dry storage, pump-out station, marine supplies and provisions can be obtained along the west side of the canal. Dock space is available along the bulkhead of the Clewiston Industrial Canal, 3 feet was reported alongside.

(422) **Route 2** leaves St. Lucie Canal at **Mile 38.9** and is the route most used. It is recommended during periods of rough water and high winds in Lake Okeechobee.

(424) **Pahokee**, with a protected boat basin that had an alongside depth of 7 feet. Berths, gasoline, diesel fuel, pump-out station, electricity, water, ice, and a launching ramp are available.

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The controlling depths are published periodically in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to

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(based on NAD 1927)

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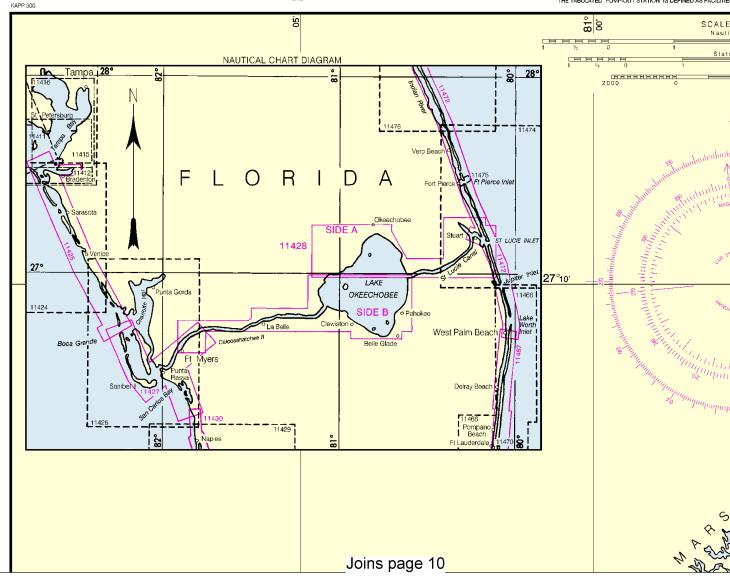
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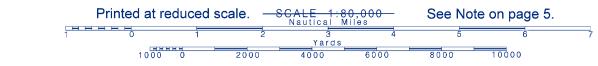
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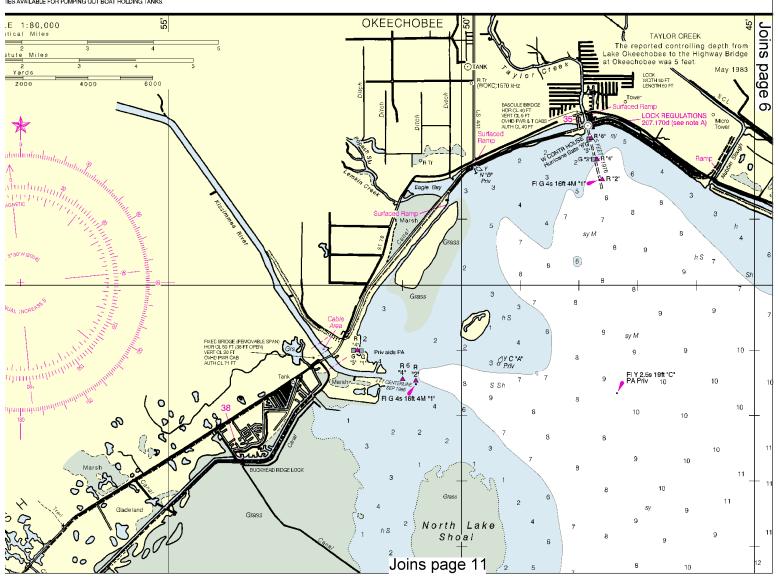
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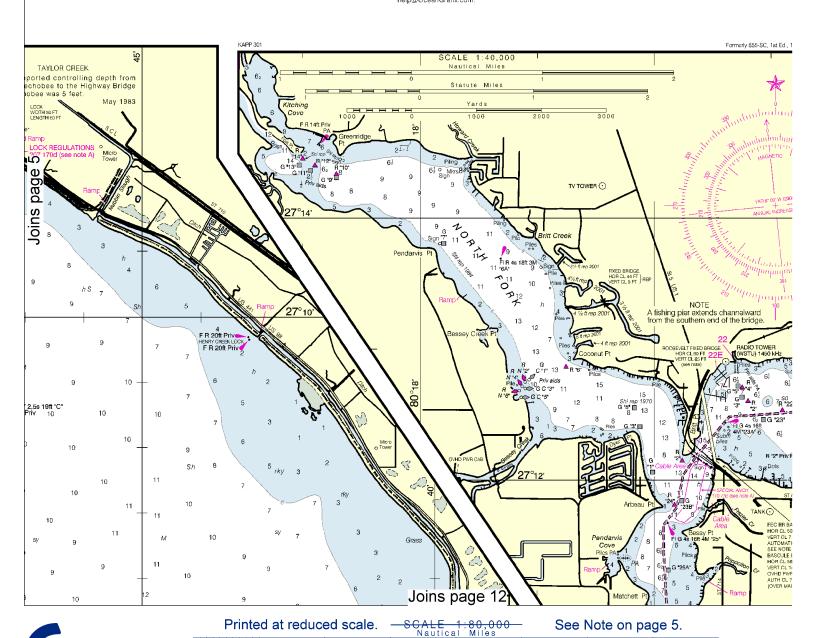
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# FLORIDA EAST COAST R.R. BRIDGE

Bridge span is normally in open position, displaying flashing green signals for water traffic movement. As a train approaches, signals go to flashing red, siren gives four blasts, pauses, and repeats four blasts, etc. After eight (8) minutes delay, the bridge lowers and looks if scanning equipment reveals nothing under the bridge. When the train has cleared, the bridge span raises and signals go to flashing green for water traffic

# OKEECHOBEE WATERWAY

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The controlling depths are published periodically in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners.

# 12 feet Norfolk, VA to Fort Pierce FL;

INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY Project Depths

10 feet Fort Pierce, FL to Miami, FL

7 feet Miami, FL to Cross Bank, Florida Bay The controlling depths are published periodically in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to

# INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY AIDS

The U.S. Aids to Navigation System is designed for use with nautical charts, and the exact meaning of an aid to navigation may not be clear unless the appropriate chart is consulted.

Aids to navigation marking the intracoastal Waterway exhibit unique yellow symbols to distinguish them from aids marking other water-

When following the Intracoastal Waterway southward from Norfolk, VA to Cross Bank in Florida Bay, aids with yellow triangles should be kept on the starboard side of the vessel and

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Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

Vessels desiring lockage in either direction shall give notice to the Lockmaster at not more than three-quarters of a mile nor less than one-quarter of a mile from the lock by two long and two short blasts of a whistle. When the lock is available, a green light, semaphore, or flag will be displayed; when not available, a red light, semaphore, or flag will be displayed. No vessels or rafts shall approach within 300 feet of any lock entrance unless signaled to do so by the lockmaster.

General regulations governing bridges and locks and the handling of tows are given in 207.160, Chapter 2 of the U.S. Coast Pilots 4 and 5.

Public address systems are installed at all four locks as an aid to navigation and a safety feature. Craft approaching any of the locks should approach for passage only upon receiving instructions from the Locktender through the loudspeaker. system or by standard light signals.

# NOTE D Depths

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## Overhead Clearances

Overhead clearances, Okeechobee Waterway-St. Lucie Lock to Port Mayaca Lock, are referred to St. Lucie Canal stage of 14.5 feet.

# CAUTION

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Limitations on the use of radio signals as aids to marine navigation can be found in the U.S. Coast Guard Light Lists and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 117.

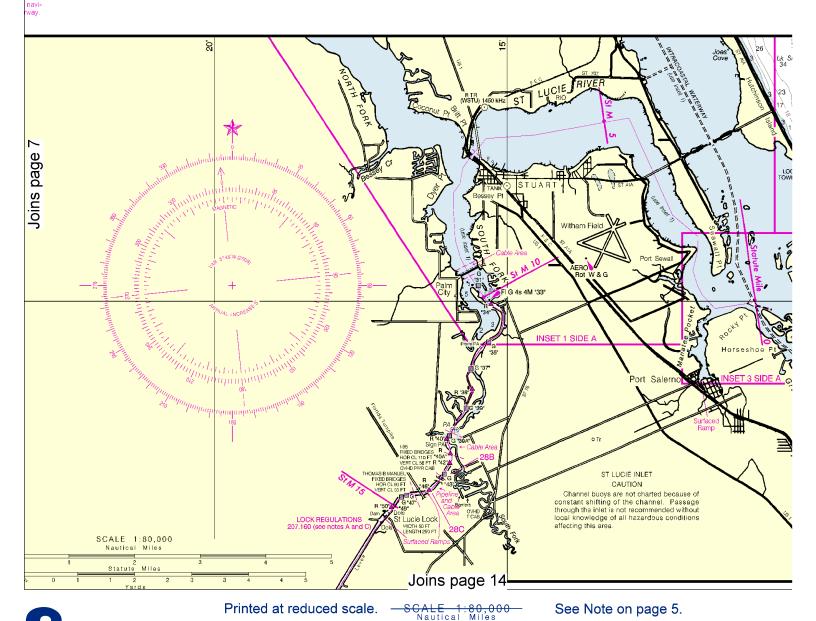
Radio direction-finder bearings to commercial broadcasting stations are subject to error and should be used with caution.

Station positions are shown thus:

⊙(Accurate location) o(Approximate location)

# CAUTION

Survey platforms, signs, pipes, piles, and stakes, some submerged, may exist along the maintained channels. Piles and platforms are not charted where they interfere with a light symbol



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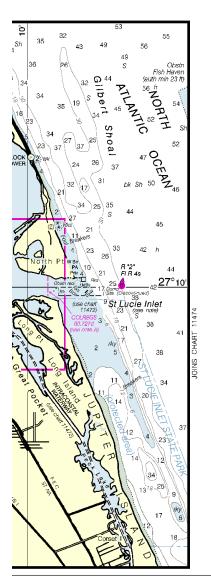
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# WARNING

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# NAUTICAL CHART 11428 OKEECHOBEE WATERWAY

# **FLORIDA**

# ST. LUCIE INLET TO FORT MYERS AND LAKE OKEECHOBEE



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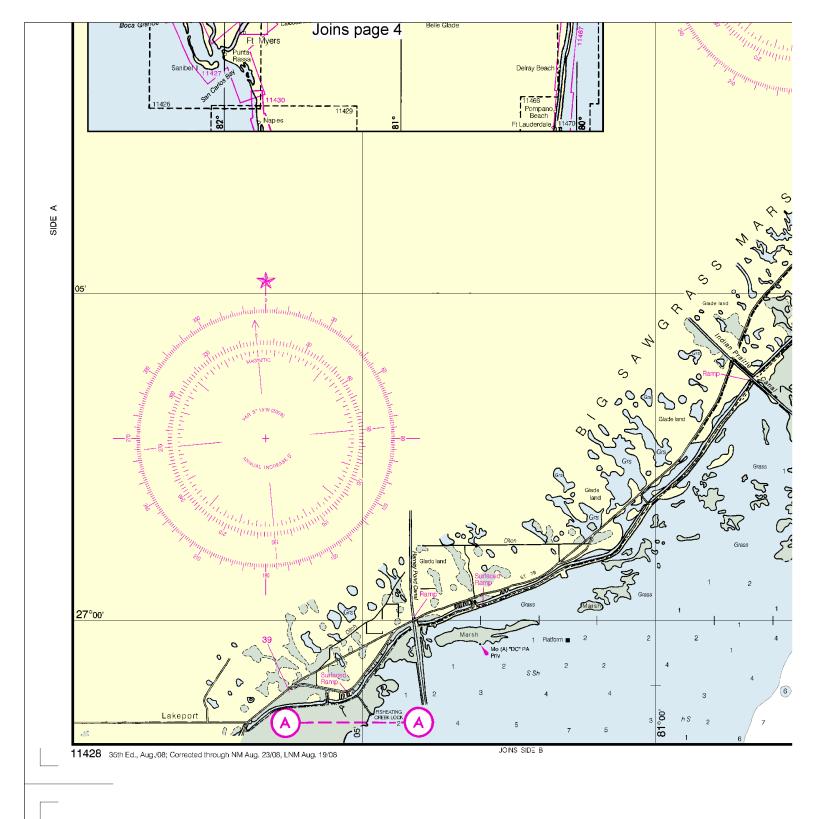
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HEIGHTS Heights in feet above Mean High Water.





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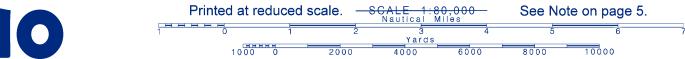
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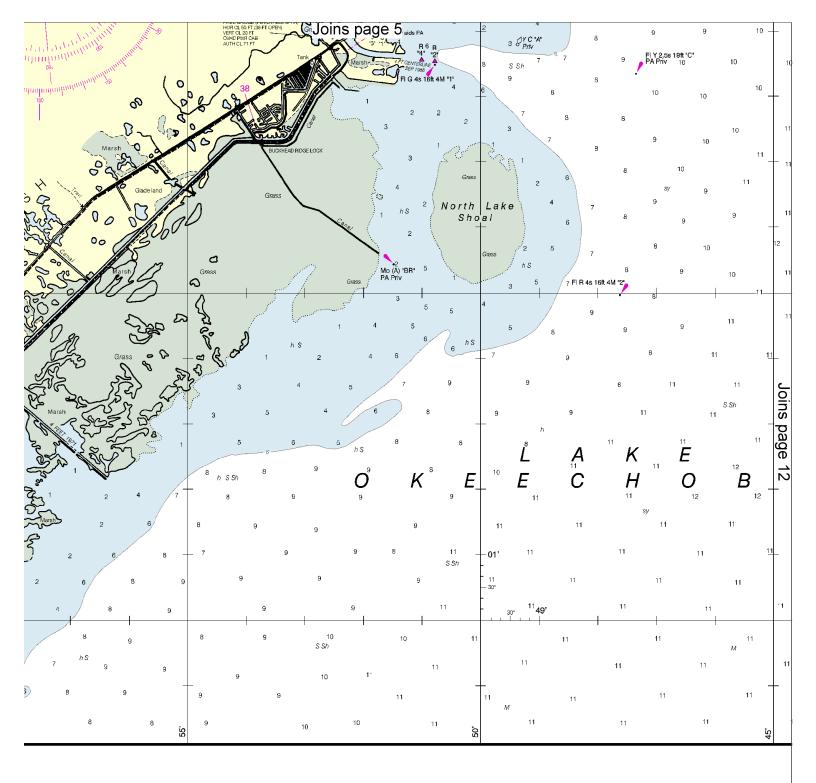
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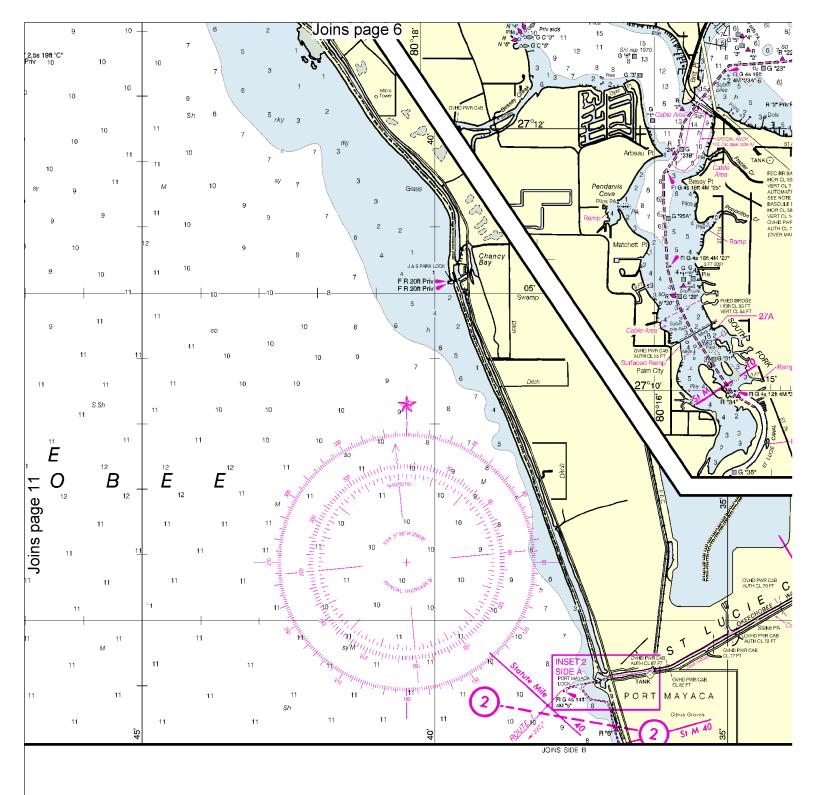




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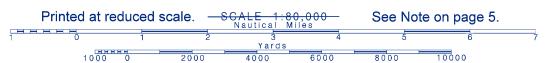
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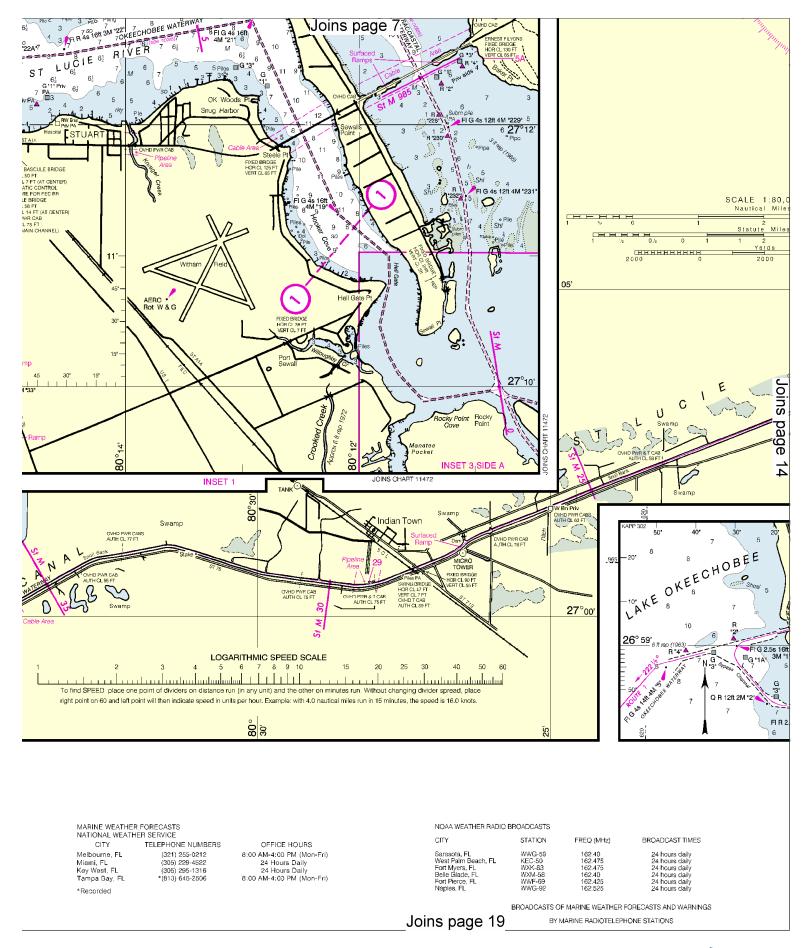
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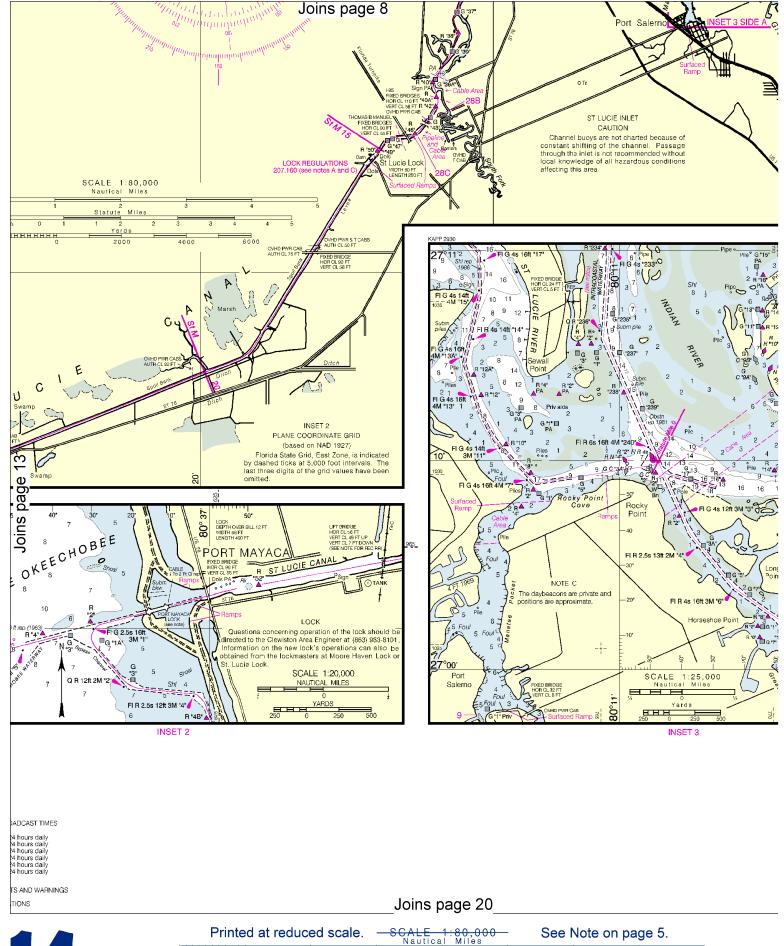


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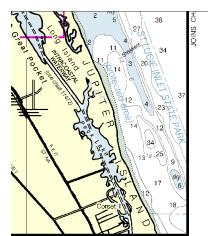






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HEIGHTS

Heights in feet above Mean High Water

SIDE A



10ST LUCIE INLET 10' FI G 4s 14ft 4M "9"

(<sub>ORD</sub> /<sub>S/a/M</sub> 27°09)

2 FI G 4s 16ft 4M "11"

FIG 4s 16ft 4M "9

# POLLUTION REPORTS

Report all spills of oil and hazardous substances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR 153).

ABBREVIATIONS (For complete list of Symbols and Abbreviations, see Chart No. 1.)
Aids to Navigation (lights are white unloss otherwise indicated):

AERO aeronautical Al altomating B black Bn beacon C can DIA diaphone F fixed FI flashing

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N nun
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Or orange
Q quick
R red
Ra Ref radar reflector

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St M statute miles
VQ very quick
W white WHIS whistle

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Bottom characteristics: Bds boulders b4 broken Cy clay

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(2) Rocks that cover and uncover, with heights in feet above datum of soundings. COLREGS: International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972. Demarcation lines are shown thus: ————

# **FACILITIES**

Locations of public marine facilities are shown by large magenta numbers with leaders and refer to the facility tabulation.

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# RADAR REFLECTORS

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## WARNING

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# **OKEECHOBEE WATERWAY**

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# Distances

The Waterway is indicated by a magenta The waterway is indicated by a magenta line. Mileage distances shown along Waterway are in Statute Miles, based on zero westward from junction with the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway in St. Lucie Inlet (11428, Side A), and are indicated thus:

Tables for converting Statute Miles to International Nautical Miles are given in U.S. Coast Pilots 4 and 5

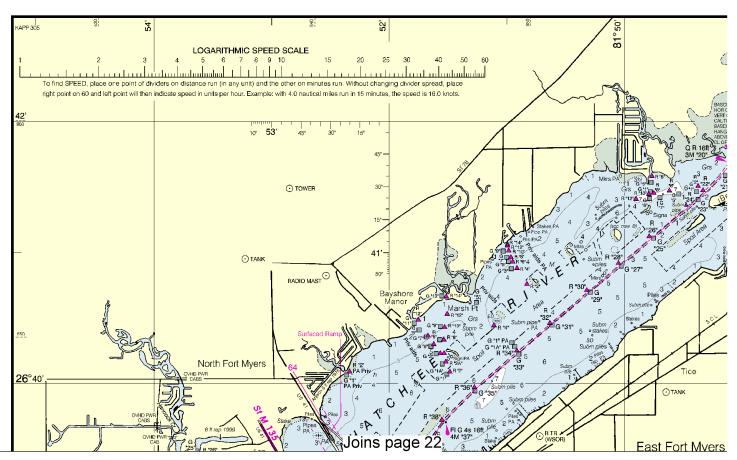
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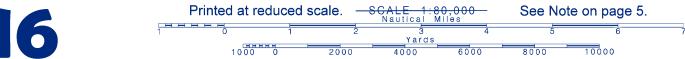
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# CAUTION

# BASCULE BRIDGE CLEARANCES

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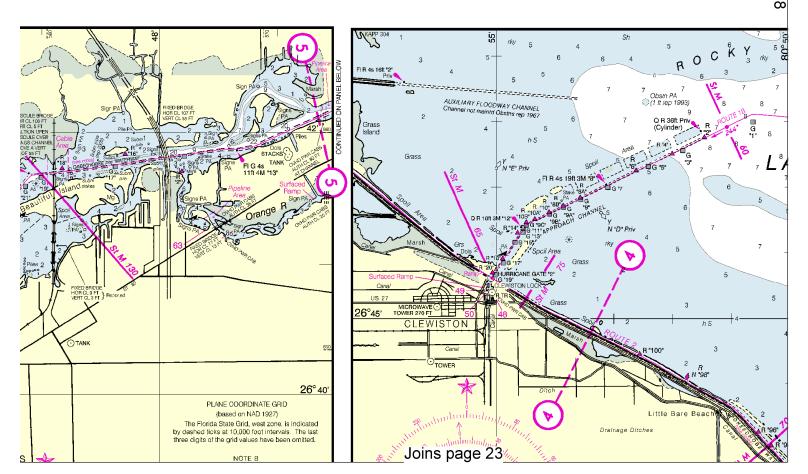
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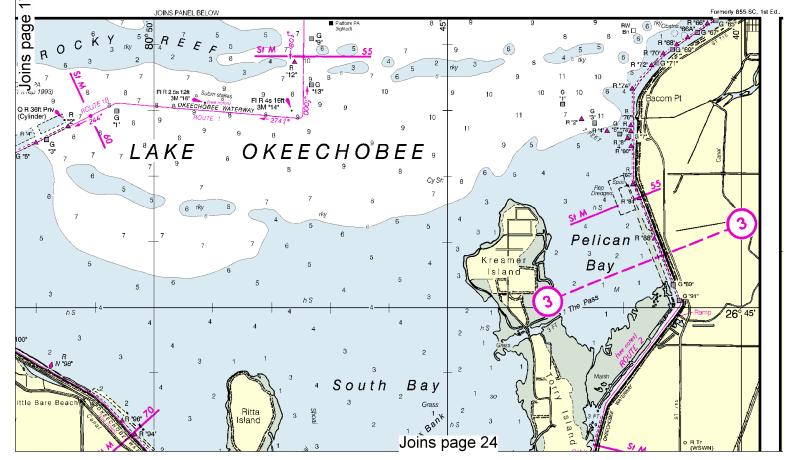
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# MARINE WEATHER FORECASTS NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE

CITY	
Melbourne, FL	
Miami, FL	
Key West, FL	
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\*Recorded

TELEPHONE NUMBERS (321) 255-0212 (305) 229-4522 (305) 295-1316 \*(813) 645-2506

OFFICE HOURS 8:00 AM-4:00 PM (Mon-Fri) 24 Hours Daily 24 Hours Daily 8:00 AM-4:00 PM (Mon-Fri)

# NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS

CITY	STATION	FREQ (MHz)	BROADCAST TIMES
Sarasota, FL	WWG-59	162.40	24 hours daily
West Palm Beach, FL	KEC-50	162.475	24 hours daily
Fort Myers, FL	WXK-83	162.475	24 hours daily
Belle Glade, FL	WXM-58	162.40	24 hours daily
Fort Pierce, FL	WWF-69	162.425	24 hours daily
Naples, FL	WWG-92	162.525	24 hours daily

# BROADCASTS OF MARINE WEATHER FORECASTS AND WARNINGS

## BY MARINE RADIOTELEPHONE STATIONS

CITY	STATION	FREQ	DAILY 3ROADCAST - EST	SPECIAL WARNING
Miami, FL	NCF	*2670 kHz	10:50 AM & PM	On receipt

<sup>\*</sup> Preceded by announcement on 2182 kHz

Distress calls for small craft are made on 2182 kHz of channel 16 (156.80 MHz) VHF.

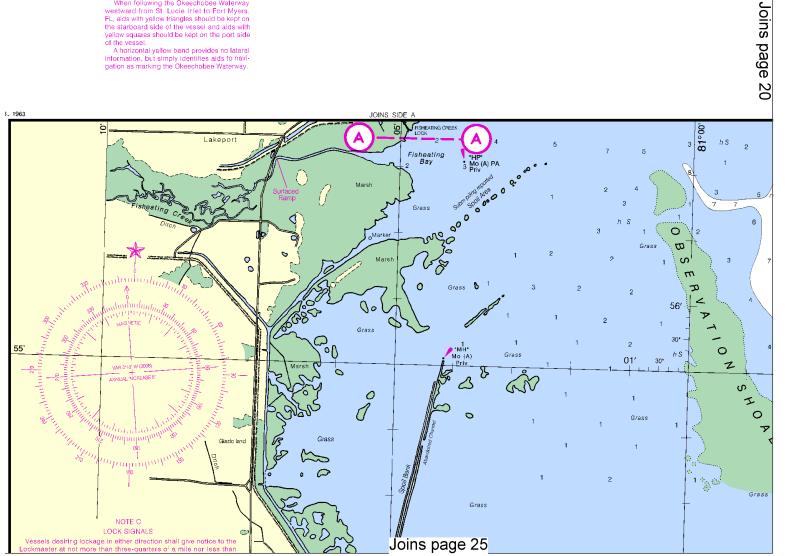
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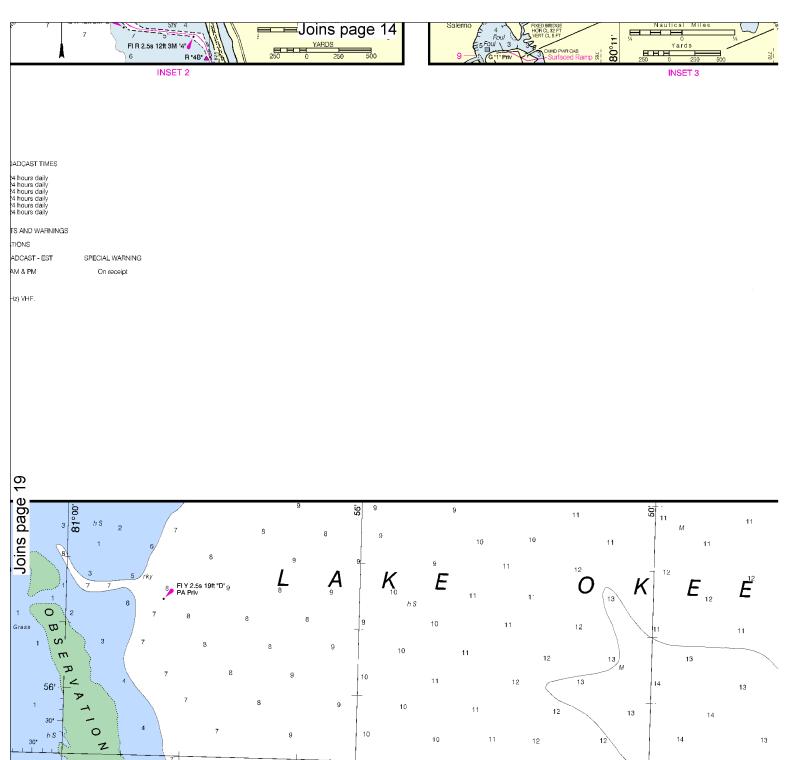
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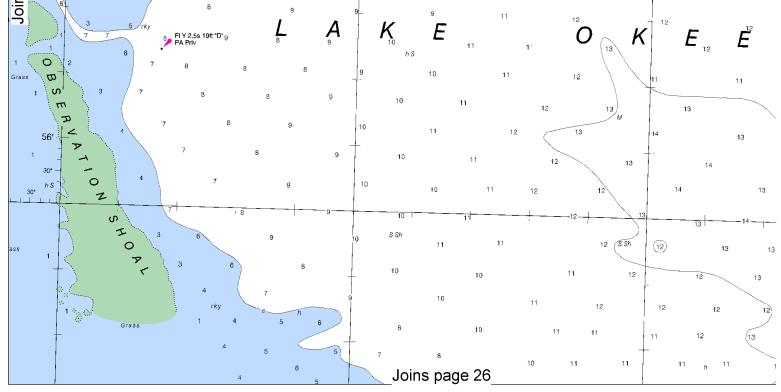
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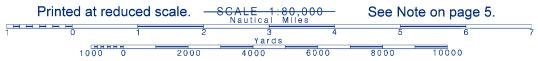
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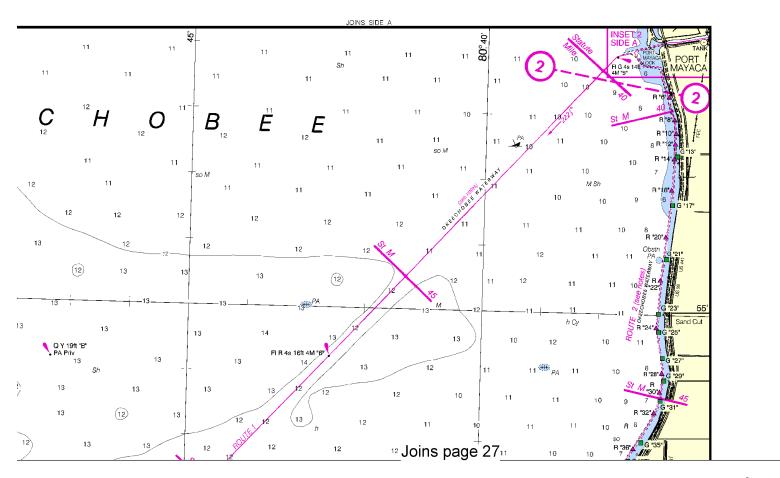


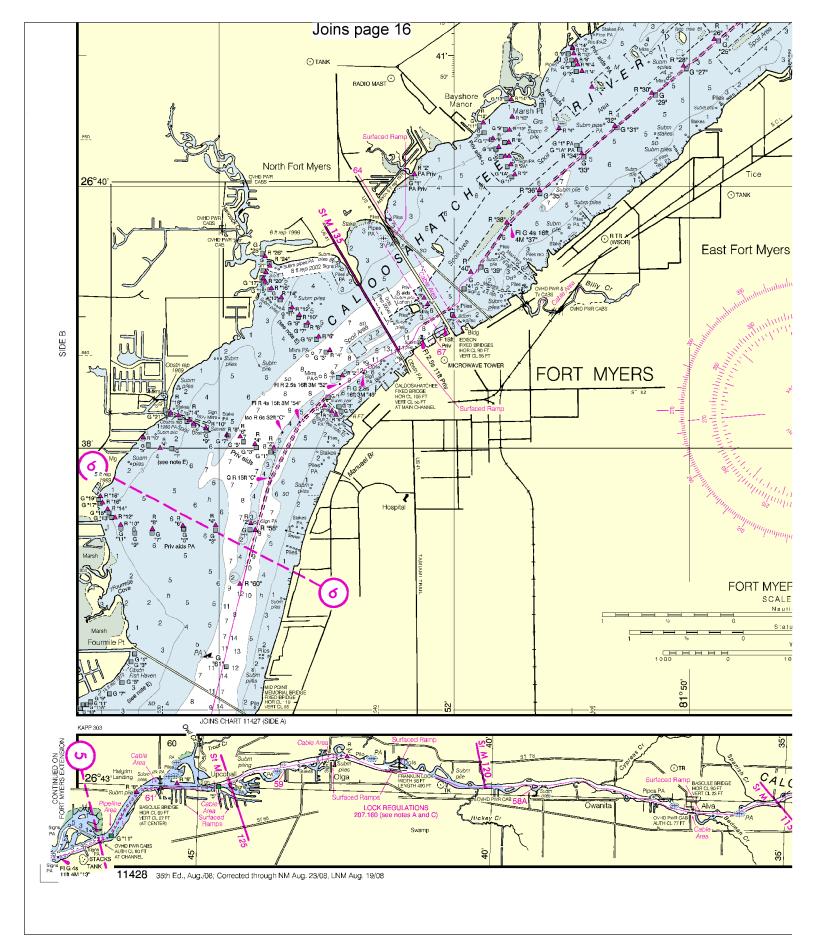


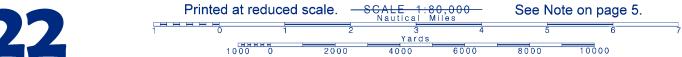


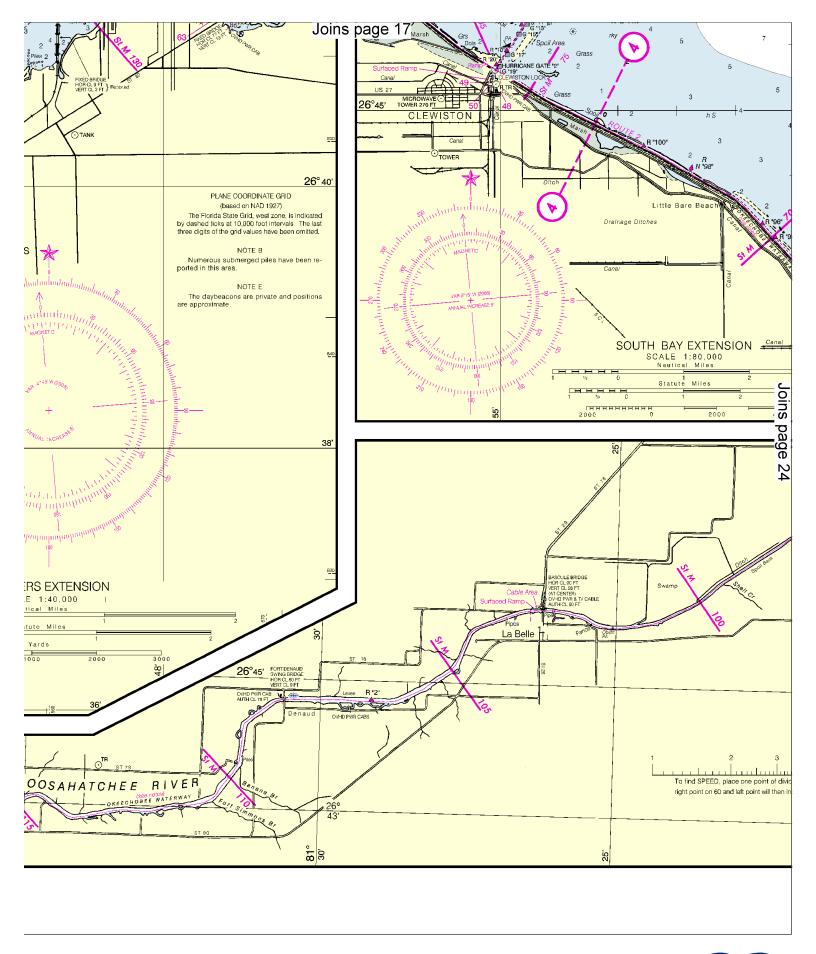


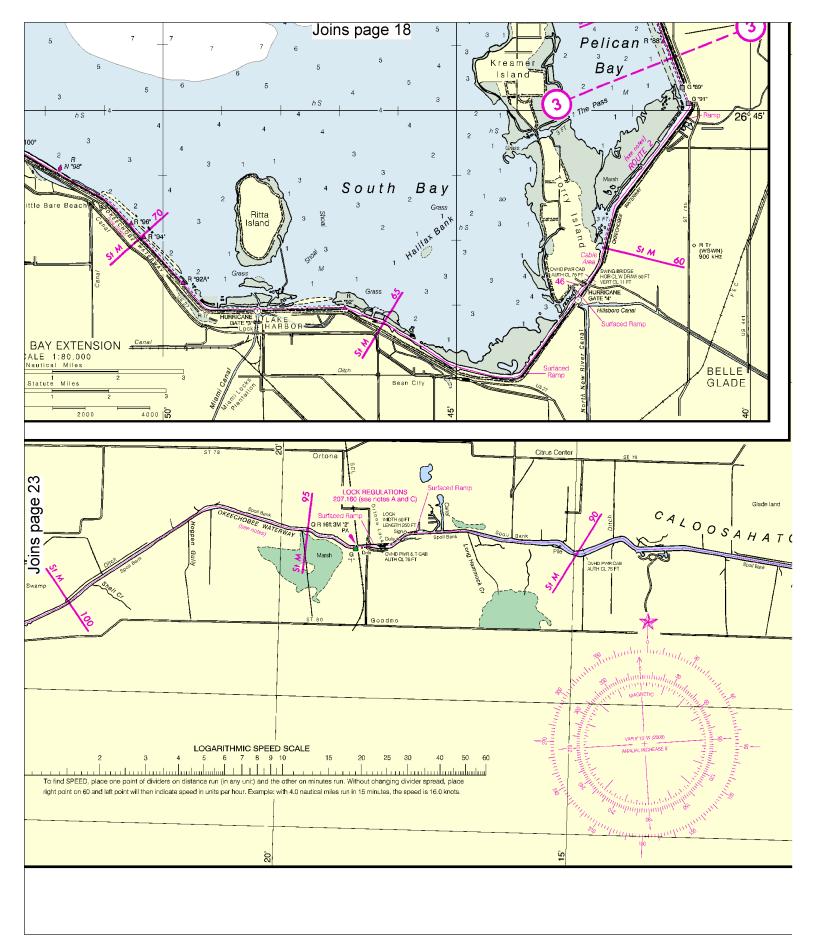


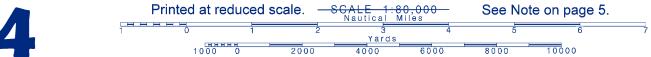


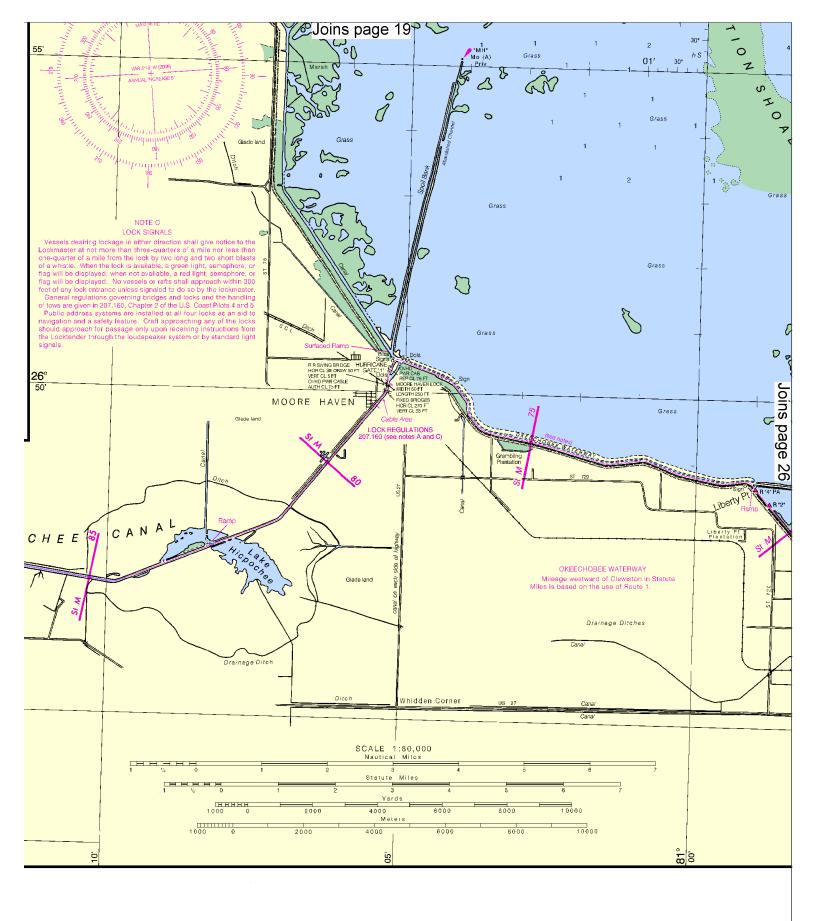


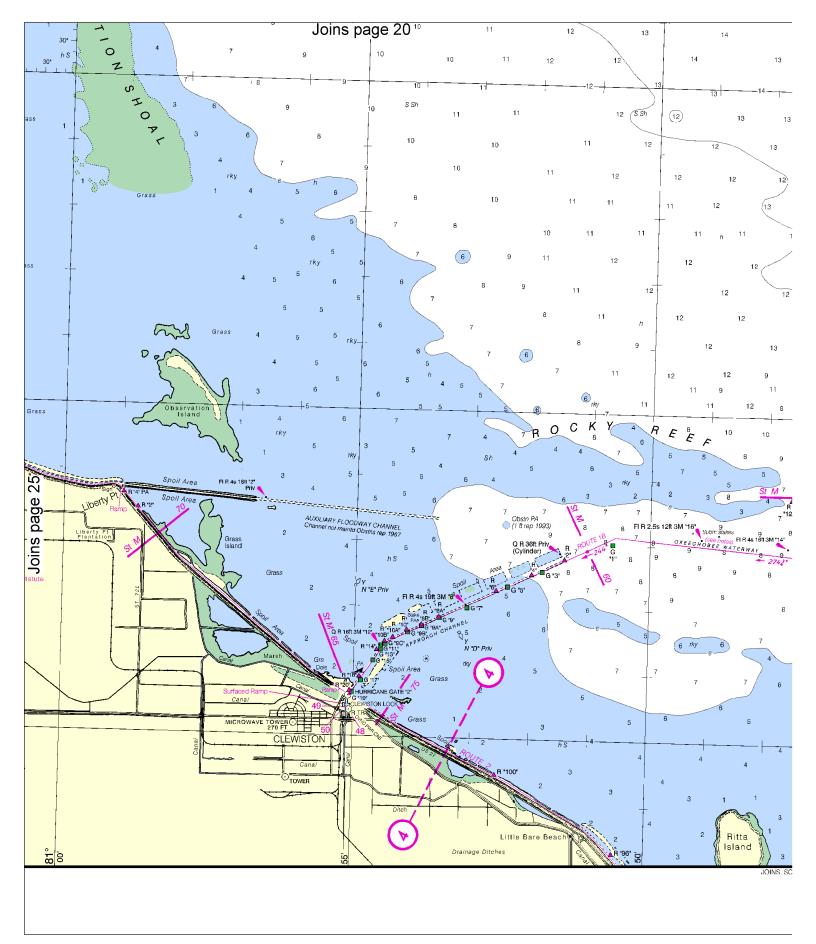


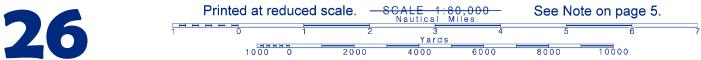


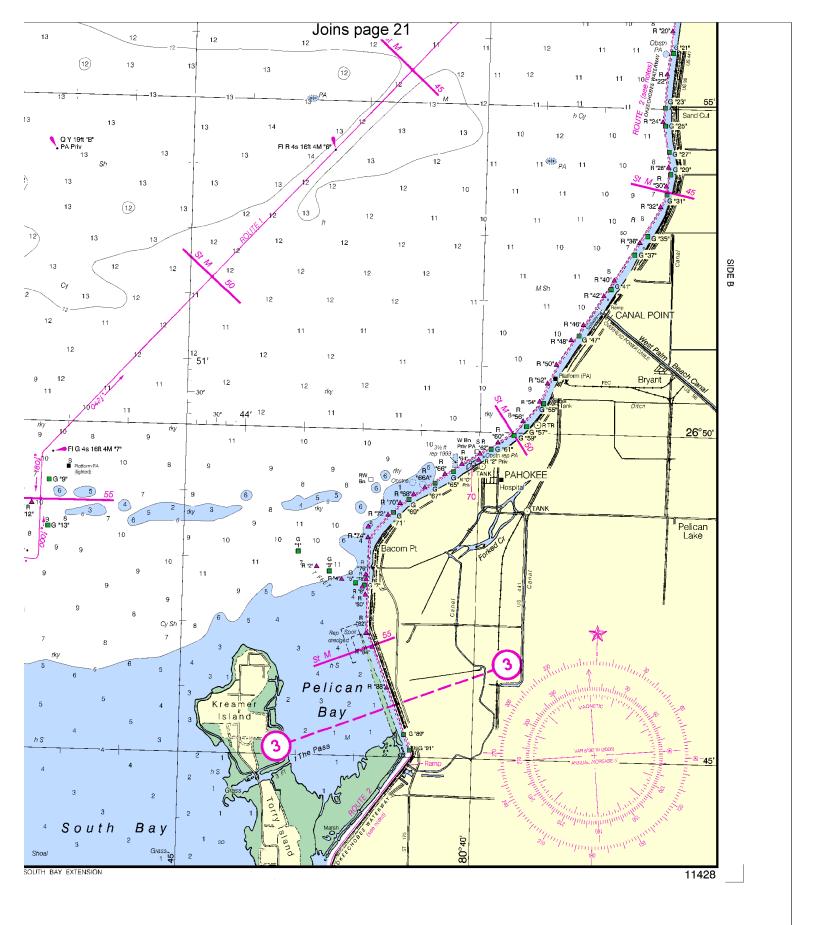












# **EMERGENCY INFORMATION**

# VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.

**Channel 9** – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

**Channel 13** – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

# Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls

to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

**Channel 22A** – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.

Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 & 78A – Recreational boat channels.

# **Distress Call Procedures**

- 1. Make sure radio is on.
- 2. Select Channel 16.
- 3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
- 4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- 6. Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

# HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS !!

**Mobile Phones** – Call 911 for water rescue.

Coast Guard Fort Myers Beach – 239-463-5754 Fort Myers Police – 239-334-4155 Coast Guard Fort Pierce – 772-464-6100 Martin County Sheriff's Office – 772-220-7170 FL Fish and Wildlife Conservation Comm – 888-404-3922

Coast Guard Atlantic Area Cmd – 757-398-6390

<u>NOAA Weather Radio</u> – 162.400 MHz, 162.425 MHz, 162.450 MHz, 162.475 MHz, 162.500 MHz, 162.525 MHz, 162.550 MHz.

Getting and Giving Help – Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.



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